

NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the Times"

Two negro murderers were hanged at Beaufort, S. C., yesterday, for the murder in June, 1874, of a clerk of a country store and the burning of the store after robbing it. About five thousand persons witnessed the hanging. Both murderers made full confessions. A colored murderer was also suspended in Louisiana after a full confession. Travis Harris, who murdered Equire Masteron, his father-in-law, at Commerce, Mo., on the third of November last was hanged at that place yesterday.

Three men ascended 26,000 feet high in a balloon from Paris yesterday; two suffocated and another can hardly live. The conditions of the atmosphere must have been peculiar to have produced such an effect, as higher ascensions have been made, notably by Prof. Gaisner, who reached an altitude of 37,000 feet.

A dispatch from Wilkesbarre, Pa., mentions several instances of intimidation of miners, and an attempt on the part of strikers to put a stop to operations generally. If this continues the operators, it is stated, will have to ask for protection for men to mine coal to keep the engines and pumps running.

Mrs. E. L. Irwin, a young widow of Hanibal, Mo., tied a clothes line around herself and her little girl six years old, fastened one end of the line to a stake, and deliberately walked into a creek, where both were drowned. Financial embarrassment and disappointment in love, it is stated, led to the act.

A destructive fire occurred in Charlotte, N. C., yesterday, destroying about three thousand bales of cotton and the depots of the North Carolina and Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad Companies and a number of private residences. Loss about \$250,000; about two-thirds insured.

Gov. Chamberlain, of South Carolina, having left Charleston to take part in the Concord and Lexington centennial, the colored Lieutenant Governor, Greaves, has improved the opportunity to pardon Bunch, the mulatto policeman who when drunk murdered an Irish policeman.

In the United States Circuit Court, in Baltimore, yesterday, a verdict for \$7,000 damages was rendered by a jury against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company in favor of Wm. H. Colein, of Baltimore, for injuries sustained whilst traveling over the Washington Branch of that company's road.

The striking weavers in the southern section of Philadelphia held a large meeting last night. Two shops were reported as paying full rates, but the others were reported as still out. A resolution to send firm until their employers accede to their demands was adopted unanimously.

George Albert Masou, whose trial has occupied the past five or six days in the criminal branch of the United States District Court, at New York, has been found guilty of having in his possession and uttering counterfeit money, and remanded for sentence.

A letter from Port Royal, S. C., announces the arrival at that temporary naval station of the United States ships of war Colorado, Plymouth, Shawmut, Worcester, Dictator, Pawnee and Puta—all from Key West. There is not a case of sickness on any of the vessels.

Mr. John Sherman has retired from the banking firm of Sherman & Co., Washington city, which, however, continues business under the remaining partner, H. D. Cooke, Jr., with whom Col. F. D. Grant will be shortly associated.

A meeting will be held at Chicago on Thursday, April 22, for the purpose of revising and regulating the division and classification of through freight, the present classification having caused some dissatisfaction among the shippers.

Mayor Vansant, of Baltimore, has signed the ordinance authorizing the sale of the city's interest in the Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company for the sum of one million dollars, payable in installments.

The Louisiana House of Representatives reorganized yesterday, electing Estillette, Compromise Conservative, Speaker. Estillette was supported by Governor Kellogg and the solid Republican vote, and was elected by 60 to 37 for Wilcox.

The firmness of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company in demanding full fare from all Baltimore and Ohio passengers travelling over their road has led to a disruption of amicable relations between the two companies.

In the Louisiana Jockey Club hurdle race, at New Orleans, yesterday, two miles, over eight hurdles, Tom Leathers won by a length, over five others, in 3:47. During the race two horses fell and one rider had an arm broken.

The operatives' strike at Great Falls, N. H., has exhausted itself. On Thursday the company had more spinners than were required. The largest portion of the strikers have returned to work. Some have left the place.

Robinson, who raised a check on the Old-town Bank of Baltimore from \$20 to \$460 and pleaded guilty, was yesterday sentenced to the penitentiary for two years. He has already been in jail fifteen months.

Dispatches from Omaha, Nebraska, state that the rivers are so high along the line of the Union Pacific Railroad that trains are delayed, and several are lying over at Laramie awaiting the subsidence of the flood.

Carl Engleheffer, a German lawyer in Philadelphia, was found dead yesterday under circumstances that at first strongly suggested murder, but it was finally determined that it was suicide.

The examination of the charges against Hinds, the fraudulent mail contractor, of corrupting employees of the Post-office Department, was resumed yesterday in Washington. Kettle turned State's evidence.

Commodore John B. Marchand, of the retired list, U. S. N., died at Carlisle, Pa., on the 13th instant.

Another steamer has been placed upon the line running between Baltimore, Charleston and Wilmington, N. C.

There was a slight fall of snow in Washington yesterday afternoon, but it melted as it fell.

MISCEGENATION.—At an early hour on Monday morning last, a special officer from Madison county visited our town and arrested the Rev. Frank T. Tubbs, a colored Baptist preacher, on a charge of having solemnized the marriage of a negro man and a white woman. The trial came off fully at Wolfroon on Tuesday morning, and he was fined \$100 and costs. The white woman was recognized to appear before the Grand Jury.—Gordonsville Gazette.

SHEEP KILLING DOGS KILLED.—A gentleman from Nelson informs us that last week a gentleman living near Greenwood lost several sheep killed by dogs. He then took one of the sheep and put strychnine in large quantities upon it, and the next morning there were 31 dead dogs in the field, the farthest one off not being 100 yards from the body of the dead sheep.—Staunton Vindicator.

Bismarck on the Ecclesiastical Bill.

BERLIN, Apr. 16.—The bill abrogating those clauses of the constitution which grant the independent administration of ecclesiastical affairs, the untimely death of religious associations with their superiors, and freedom of clerical appointment, passed its second reading today in the lower House of the Prussian Diet. In the course of the debate Prince Bismarck said the Government was loth to propose such measures, but they were unavoidable since the Vatican council.

No one possessed the influence the Pope had with a compact party, a well-organized press, and an army of obedient priests. This power would be serious even if it belonged to a native instead of a foreign monarch. That monarch, if he had the means, would carry out his programme in Prussia, but he would first have to destroy the majority of the Prussian people.

The Prince closed his speech with these words: "When all the breaches in the bulwarks of the State, caused by granting too many rights to unworthy objects, are repaired, then will we be able to conclude peace."

FAIRFAX COUNTY ITEMS.—N. T. Hall and wife, formerly of Fairfax county, but now of Clifton, Iowa, have sold their farm, near Vienna, in this county, for \$2,600, to John R. Randall, of Berrien county, Missouri. On the 5th inst. Dr. Martin Van Buren Bogart, of Washington, D. C., sold to Geo. H. Varnell, of Mount Vernon, in this county, near Burke's station, of land in Jefferson county, Va., containing 145 acres and the other 157 acres and 129 poles, for \$4,300. Mrs. N. P. Denison's trustee sold her farm, near Vienna station, to a gentleman from Ohio, for \$4,500. This land is the "Old Fiddler Homestead." It was bought by Mrs. Denison two years ago, for \$1,500, but has been improved since. The new purchaser brings a fine lot of stock to the farm from Ohio.

The county jail only contains three prisoners, viz: John Robinson, colored, confined two months from last November, for an assault on Annie Sherwood, white, who lives near Vienna; Wm. White, who was committed on the charge of stealing some clothing from Jerry Stokes, of Mount Vernon Township, both colored; and Jesse Morton, for unmercifully beating his wife Jennie, also colored, of Centerville township. Morton was brought to jail on Saturday last.

Rev. Mr. O'ell has been called by the Presbyterians of this place and Lewisville to occupy the pulpit in place of Rev. John Brown, resigned. It is also understood that Mr. O'ell will preach at the First Hill School House. The Sabbath school was reorganized 4 last Sunday afternoon for another year.

James Hunter, of Southard, who, a short time ago, bought of Thos. Moore, of this place, and his brother Jere, of Vienna, the farm near Vienna, known as "Moorefield," is improving it very much, by having all the land cleared for cultivation.

Thos. D. Addison is improving the farm donated him by Joe B. Damsfield, of Alexandria, by having a fine fence put around it and otherwise generally improving it.—Fairfax Farmer.

PRINCE WILLIAM ITEMS.—Arthur Damsfield, a little two year old son of Wm. Damsfield, living near Groveton, in the upper part of Prince William, was instantly killed on Saturday last by the explosion of an old shell which he was rolling about the yard. It is said the poor little fellow's entrails were entirely torn out, and his body was terribly mangled.

Mr. J. Horace Lacy, member of the House of Delegates and president of the caucus of "anti-funders" in Richmond during the last winter, will address the citizens of Prince William on the subject of the "State Debt," on the next court day, the first Monday in May.

The "Smith's" Brown Stone Quarries at Mayfield, in this place, have been put in operation lately by M. A. McGowan & Co., of Washington. A force of twenty men are employed under the superintendence of Mr. J. R. Tillett.

Millions of little green lice have made their appearance on the apple bloom in this section, which bids fair to destroy what prospects there were left by the long and hard winter, for a crop of fruit.

The Presbyterian pulpit in Manassas will be filled for the present year by Rev. Mr. Carmichael, of New Jersey, and he will preach his first sermon next Sunday morning a week, 25th instant.

Dr. Crump, who was declared a lunatic a month or so ago, was conveyed to the Eastern Lunatic Asylum at Williamsburg last week on a charge of Capt. A. A. Davis and Mr. Jos. B. Reid.

Rody Loveless, a well known fish trapper, has taken a large number of fine black bass from Broad Run this spring.—Manassas Gazette.

THE DISTRICT LEGISLATURE.—The late territorial legislature of the District of Columbia was a rare body, having its parallel only in those monarch legislatures by which the Southern States have been so mercilessly bled. They both exemplified the truth of the old saying about putting beggars on horseback. Among the many exposures that have been made of the doings of the King Territorial Legislature of the District of Columbia is the following: The late Speaker of the House was sued by Godfrey & Goell, proprietors of the Chesapeake restaurant, on a bill of \$1,019 for refreshments, solid and liquid, furnished between the 29th of April and the 1st of July, 1873. Payment was resisted on the ground that he was not responsible for refreshments furnished to "the gallies and bums" who infected the legislative halls. During the progress of the trial it appeared in evidence that the Speaker, after his election, went to the restaurant with a party of forty or fifty and ordered wine, which was drunk, and that on another occasion he gave a banquet at the "Chesapeake," at which he presided, and none but members of the Legislature were invited. Orders from the Speaker were also produced in evidence, some of which remind one of that famous meal in Pickwick, which was so disastrous to him in the suit of Bardell vs. Pickwick, and upon which the learned Buzfuz rang the changes so skillfully. Some of these orders read as follows:

"Charles Godfrey: Please send over to speaker's room one porter house steak, green peas, raw tomatoes, and potatoes for one."

"Godfrey: Four fried chickens, six, six bottles of wine, one box of cigars, two bottles."

"Godfrey: Please send over two bottles champagne."

"Godfrey: Please send me a steak."

"Godfrey: Please send over one bottle stag and one bottle brandy; also, 25 good cigars."

It was expected, of course, that the bill would be paid out of the Legislative fund; but the Legislature was exploded by Congress, and so the restaurant keepers had no recourse save against the Speaker, against whom they obtained a verdict!

LOOKING UP.—We are glad to learn that King George Court House is rising from the ashes, and that a spirit of progress has seized some of its inhabitants. There are two excellent hotels in the village; one kept by Capt. W. S. Somers, and the other by W. H. Gaines. There are two well filled stores in the place, also two churches—Methodist and Episcopal. Several of the inhabitants are having their dwellings painted, and other improvements about their premises indicate that the village is waking up.—Fredericksburg Star.

AN IMPORTANT WILL CASE.—In the Court

of Appeals, in Richmond, Judge Anderson delivered the opinion of the Court in the celebrated will case known as the Johnson v. "Boock" will case. On the 15th of February, 1867, John H. Johnson executed a will, and subsequently a codicil, devising the bulk of his property to his friend, and attorney, Hon. Thomas S. Boock, formerly Speaker of the United States House of Representatives. Testator had repeatedly expressed his desire and wish that none of his relatives should have a cent of his money. The will was written by Mr. Boock and witnessed regularly by others. It was opposed by his blood relatives, and the case carried by them to the Court of Appeals on an adverse decision. Held by the Court of last resort that Johnson knew what he was about; that he had provided for his piousness off-pring what he designed that they should have; that the devise of the residuum to Boock, of which his relatives were fully apprised, was evidently deceased's will and intent, and was good in law; and it was so ordered.

TOBACCO SALES.—The quantity of tobacco sold in the various warehouses in Danville during the half year, beginning October 1st, 1874 and ending March 30th 1875, was 7,186,888 pounds, which brought \$1,526,050.51. An average of nearly 22 cents per pound. This is a much larger quantity than was ever sold here before during the same period of former years. Danville News.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Our young townsman, Harper Junius, who has recently received an appointment on the Erie Railroad, has been stationed at Newburg, Orange county, N. Y., which he describes as a beautiful city, containing eighteen thousand inhabitants, situated about sixty miles above New York city on the Hudson, and commanding a fine view of that river for miles. He describes it as a lively city, "not requiring to be fenced in to prevent the exit of a dissatisfied people from seeking their fortunes in a more congenial climate." All is thrift and enterprise, their motto seeming to be "onward and upward." He speaks of the weather as being very cold, the Hudson filled with floating ice, and the ground covered with snow to the depth of several inches. Orange county is celebrated for its butter and is one of the garden spots of the great empire State.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Alexandria, Va., Postoffice April 17, 1875.

Persons calling for letters will say they are advertised and give the date of the list. If not called for within thirty days, they will be sent to the dead letter office, in Washington.

Bennell, Wm H	Ja kson, George
Bailey, Wm	Jackson, Fairfax
Blackwell, Aaron	Key, Wm G
Bevin, P P	Leon, M C
Carroll, Mrs Louisa	Loomans, Miss M
Conly, Mr	Lee, Emma
Craig, Miss Susan	Patton, Robt F
Davis, Wm H	Peece, Mrs
Daniel, Jenn	Petrie, John
Epps, Thomas	Rogers, Fredric
Foley, Miss Mary Ann	Rabe, Mrs Bettie
Foley, Miss Mary	Smith, H D
Gwynn, Mrs	Scott, Elsworth
Haddock, C B	Taylor, Annie E
Hall, Edie S	Turner, Jane, col
Holt, Henry E	Truman, Dr Samuel
Jackson, Miss Roxie	Watkins, Jas

ap 17—11 W. N. BERKLEY, P. M.

MARRIED.

In Washington, on Tuesday, April 13th, by Rev. F. Walsh, LIVINGSTON L. YOUNG, of G. G. G. and LOUISA GWYNN, of Prince George's county, Md.

At the same time and place, and by the same, R. C. E. PARKER and ELLA GWYNN, both of Prince George's county, Md.

On the 8th instant, at Callett's station, Fauquier county, a residence of the bride, by Rev. Mr. Horshor, WILLIAM WATKINS, of Fairfax county, to Miss KATIE LUCKETT.

DIED.

At her residence, in Stafford county, Va., April 7th, 1875, LUCY A. GRAY, in the 35th year of her age.

Near Dranesville, Fairfax county, on the 12th instant, MR. HENRY JONES, a very old citizen.

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ap 14—6td E. H. JANNEY, Pres.

COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, April 17.—Wheat is in fair receipt, and the market is active but less firm for best grades; offerings of 1905 bushels red, with sales at 130, 133, 135 and 137 for prime to choice. Corn is steady at yesterday's quotations; offerings of 1204 bushels, with sales of white at 93, and mixed and yellow at 87. Oats are nominally 70; offerings of 225 bushels; no sales reported.

ALEXANDRIA FISH MARKET, April 17, 1875. The receipts since yesterday have been 8300 Shad, which sold at from 13 1/2 to 17 1/2 per hundred; 37 000 Herring, which sold at from 12 50 to 14 per hundred; a small supply of Perch and Rock which sold at high rates.

In Washington, yes, today, 11 0 0 Shad sold at 13 to 14 per hundred; 25 000 Herring at from 13 to 14 per hundred; 1000 bunches of Rock and Perch at from 10 to 35 per bunch; 1000 Tailors at from 2 50 to 4 per hundred; 500 Eels at from 2 00 to 3 1/2 per hundred; and 500 small Rock at from 14 to 16 per hundred.

RAILROAD RECEIPTS.—The following were the receipts by the Virginia Midland R. R. this week:

Corn 6730 bushels, wheat 2552, rye 56, oats 459, potatoes 10, valuations 10, onions 28, bams 1 sack, dried fruit 1 sack, ground sugar 44 800 lbs, hay 40 bales, dressed hogs 2, flour 4 000 lbs, lime 101 bbls, blooms 4, 000 lbs, wine 2 casks, cheese 1 box, lumber 100 000 feet, leather 30 rolls, tallow 1 lb, fowls 6 ceps, butter 4 firkins, eggs 25 bbls and boxes, for 3 weeks, hides 51 bales, bacon 150 lbs, lard and bones 9405 lbs, calves 11, sheep skins 1 bale, cat skins 1 bale furniture 6 packages and boxes plows 6, rags 4081 lbs, castings 4 bundles, trucks 2, sundries 6 boxes, &c., household goods 23 car loads, cattle 2 cars.

The following were the receipts by the Washington and Ohio Railroad:

Wheat 4322 bushels, corn 936, oats 131, meal 90, feed 86, potato 19 1/2, iron 181 bbls, eggs 40 bbls and boxes, butter 13 bbls and firkins, hogs 16 ceps, rags 24 bales, hides 6 bales, iron and bones 4220 lbs, plows 7, castings 600 lbs, hay 3 cars, straw 1 car, rails 1 car, calves 84 head.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, APRIL 17.

Sun rose.....5 23 Moon sets.....4 7

Sun sets.....6 57 High water.....0 00

ARRIVED.

Steamer Sue, Baltimore, to Jos Broders & Co. She reports passing only one vessel in the river bound up—a two-master, off Blackstone's Island.

Steamer Jane Moseley, Norfolk, to F A Reed.

Schr Judge Hopkinson, Washington, to J H D Smoot.

Schr Florence Dean.

SAILED.

Steamship New York, Philadelphia, by F A Reed.

Steam tug Mary Lewis, Curriton, by F A Reed.

Schr Nellie C Paine, Georgetown, by Wm A Smoot.

Schr L T Duncannon, Norfolk, Va.

PASSED DOWN.

Schr W D Hilt, from Georgetown.

MEMORANDA.

Schr L A Rose, from Georgetown, at New Haven 14th.

Schr E L C Winsor, from R Ekport for Washington, at Vineyard Haven 13th.

Schr S T Arwin, for this port, sailed from Baltimore 16th.

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